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### PFLASTERER APPOINTED HEAD BASKETBALL COACH

#### PAPOOSE MENTOR RECEIVES ONE YEAR CONTRACT

Don Pflasterer has been boosted into the position of head basketball coach, it was announced late Wednesday by Athletic Director Virg Yelkin.

Pflasterer, who has successfully guided the B cage team the past two years, will step into the new job starting Sept. 1, working under a one year contract.

He succeeds Harold Johnk, who resigned recently to go into business. Pflasterer will continue to coach the B football team and will also instruct in physical education.

"We have promoted Don," Yelkin said, "because he deserves it. He did a fine job for us last year. His B basketball team won 11 games and lost only four."

Yelkin also announced that Charley Brock, new football line coach, will take over the Papoose basketball reigns. The former Nebraska U All-American center was an all state football and basketball choice at Kramer High of Columbus, Ohio.

Pflasterer made an impressive record as an athlete during his student days at the University of Omaha.

He was voted all-conference in football two years. And in the latter year he was named the outstanding athlete in the North Central conference. Pflasterer was also outstanding in basketball and track.

After his graduation, he taught at Harlan (Ia.) High School before entering the army. He returned to his alma mater as B team football and basketball coach and Intramural Supervisor in 1946.

### EASTER CONVOCATION TO BE TUESDAY AT 10 AM

The University Chorus will present the annual Easter Convocation Tuesday at 10 am in the Auditorium under the direction of Richard E. Duncan, instructor of music.

Soloists Joan Nickerson, William Kellog and Sebastian Cortese will be featured. Avonell Otis will be the accompanist.

The Meditation will be delivered by the Rev. Harold T. Janes, Minister of the First Congregational Church.

There will be no general dismissal of classes, but students who attend will be excused.

#### Eliot Tells OU Convocation We Will Not Fight Russia; Answer Hinges on US Power

War Analyst Major George Fielding Eliot answered the "Must We Fight Russia" question last night with a qualified "No."

Speaking before a packed Auditorium, Major Eliot said "We'll not have to fight the Russians if we can prevent them from getting so strong that we'll have to fight them in self defense under less favorable conditions later on.

"The arresting force needed to stop Russia depends on US power," he continued.

Pointing to the two ways to get peace, Major Eliot explained the first was for a group with power to impose peace by force.

The second, and most satisfactory method for securing peace, is for people to accept general rules and laws.

"Russia is obviously following the first formula" Eliot explained.